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Sir:

Patentee Richards Manufacturing Company, A New Jersey Limited

Partnership, as the owner by assignment of the subject U.S. patent no. 6,884,124, files concurrently herewith an Assertion of Entitlement to Small Entity Status, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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No fees for this filing are believed due. Nevertheless, should any fees be now or hereafter due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge all such fees to Deposit Account No. 19-4709. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please contact the applicant's attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Patentee Richards Manufacturing Company, A New Jersey Limited Partnership, by the undersigned, whose title is set forth below, as the owner by assignment of the subject U.S. patent no. 6,884,124, hereby asserts entitlement to small entity status, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

Patentee Richards Manufacturing Company, A New Jersey Limited Partnership submits that it qualifies as a Small Business Concern as described in 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.27(a), since it has fewer than 500 employees and has not assigned, granted, conveyed or licensed, and is not under any obligation to assign, grant, convey or license, any rights under the subject patent to any person, concern or organization which itself would not qualify for small entity status.

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Assertion of Entitlement to Small Entity Status

The undersigned is authorized to execute this paper on behalf of Richards Manufacturing Company, A New Jersey Limited Partnership.

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